

## ALDERMEN FAVOR IDENTICAL LAW TAXI PEOPLE ASK

Ordinance Submitted by One Company Is Practically Copied by Grimm.

IT FAVORS "STANDS."

Monopoly Will Be Enabled by This Measure to Keep Up Excessive Rates of Fare.

By Sophie Irene Loeb.

The submission by Alderman Henry P. Grimm of Brooklyn, Chairman of the committee to revise the rates and better the service of taxicabs and public hacks, of an ordinance which he says represents the sentiment of a majority of the committee, indicates that the months of work of this committee were all wasted. The members of the committee might as well have allowed the shrewd and persistent lawyer who represented the Yellow Taxicab Company to write up their ordinance in the first place.

For the ordinance which this lawyer submitted several weeks ago "for the purpose of suggestions" and "to help the committee" is practically the same ordinance that is now submitted by Chairman Grimm. The phraseology in the Grimm ordinance and the ordinance drawn up by the taxicab company counsel is almost identical. In other words it would appear that the many meetings and public hearings held by the committee have been a succession of bluffs.

Chairman Grimm, who represents the Sixty-fourth Aldermanic district in Brooklyn, in which a taxicab is almost as much of a novelty as a circus parade, wants the committee to substitute his ordinance for the Messer-Meagher ordinance, which incorporates real reforms advocated by The Evening World, including revision of fares and abolition of private hackstands. He wants the Aldermanic Committee, after months of work, to endorse all the arguments that have been put forth by the counsel for the taxicab companies and reject the arguments that have been put forward by the public.

ALDERMAN MARKS WAS ON THE LOOKOUT.

Fortunately Alderman Marks was on the watch when Chairman Grimm submitted the ordinance he said he had drawn up and asked the committee to sign it and send it to the full Board of Aldermen for passage. Alderman Marks recognized the Grimm ordinance in a minute.

Mr. Marks immediately told Mr. Grimm that he would not have any lawyer for a taxicab company draw up an ordinance for the public on this question and he would not be a party to sanctioning any such ordinance and was upheld by the other minority members, Mr. Bolles and Mr. Brush.

"Besides," said Mr. Marks, "the report Mr. Grimm suggested submitting to the board is against the public interest and I intend to oppose it if he should present it. I call for the retaining of the private hack stands, not out in rates and states that we now have too many taxicabs on the streets of New York and that we do not need any more."

SHOWS FAVORITISM TO THE CAB COMPANIES.

"The whole thing certainly shows utmost favoritism to the cab companies. I am surprised that Mr. Grimm should present such a proposition after four months' service on this investigation committee, which investigation should report, in all fairness, the exact opposite."

"This ordinance would not only perpetuate the monopoly the cab companies now have and tend to raise the already high rates, but would put back, for years, the hope of ever getting a larger and more popular public conveyance service such as a city like New York ought to have."

"The Marks-Meagher ordinance was drawn up after careful consideration of all sides of the question, and tends to protect the public against the exorbitant rates and the chaotic condition of regulations. If Mr. Grimm and his adherents have the public interest thoroughly at heart, there is no reason why this ordinance should not meet with their approval. At least in most of its measures and in the main it could constitute a final ordinance coming from the entire taxicab committee."

"To prove that its purpose is sincere and just to not only the public but the cab companies have but to look over the proposed ordinance from the Mayor's commission and the main issues in regard to the welfare of all is practically the same, with protection to all and favoritism to none."

"The Mayor's commission comprises representative men, and they are trying to recommend something to the Mayor that will meet existing conditions and prepare the way for more equitable service that is also expressed in the Marks-Meagher ordinance."

"Therefore as soon as the report is made to the Mayor and the matter is referred back to us, I think that, with the Marks-Meagher ordinance, which Mr. Bolles and Mr. Brush also approve, we can arrive at a definite and complete vote to place before the board. I do not propose to allow any taxicab lawyers to suggest any ordinance for my approval on this question."

MARKS-MEAGHER ORDINANCE MEETS REQUIREMENTS.

Mr. Bolles said: "We have gone over the Marks-Meagher ordinance, and it

## MRS. COPLEY THAW GOES TO GEORGIA TO-DAY TO MARRY.



WASHINGTON, D. C., April 17.—Mrs. William Thaw, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Copley Thaw, one time Countess of Yarmouth, and a party will leave Washington to-day in a special car for Dunwoody, Cumberland Island, Ga., where the entire party will be guests at the home of Mrs. Thaw's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Lauder Carnegie, until after the marriage of Mrs. Copley Thaw and Geoffrey Whitney, of Boston, on April 22.

In the party will be the Rev. Dr. McKean of Pittsburgh, who will officiate at the wedding; Miss Susanne Riddle, of Pittsburgh; Mrs. Hunt Slater and Mrs. Robert Christie of this city; Mrs. Edward Cary Williams, of Boston; the Hon. Mrs. Hanbury, of England, who has been stepping with Mrs. Copley Thaw at her home here, and Harold Pierce, of Boston, who will be best man for Mr. Whitney.

## TWO POLICEWOMEN NOW ON THE FORCE IN PHILADELPHIA

Given Revolvers and Black-jacks to Keep the Peace—Will Have Special Details.

PHILADELPHIA, April 17.—Philadelphia now has two policewomen. Director of Public Safety Porter yesterday swore in as special police women Miss L. M. Gillespie and Mrs. Mary D. Diehl, agents of the Travelers' Aid Society, giving them authority to make arrests for any offense in the two principal railway terminals of the city.

They will be provided with special police badges and will be permitted to carry revolvers and blackjacks. In case they are unable to make arrests since landed they are empowered to appeal to spectators for assistance. Although women have often been sworn in here as special officers in department stores, this is the first instance where they have been vested with such a wide scope of authority.

## DEATH OF MRS. HITCHCOCK.

Widow Prominent in Society Dies at Son's Home in Aiken.

Mrs. Marie Center Hitchcock, widow of Thomas Hitchcock, financier and writer, is dead at Aiken, S. C., where she was spending the winter. She was the mother of Thomas Hitchcock and Francis R. Hitchcock and also of Center Hitchcock, who died in 1908. She was staying with her son, Thomas, at Aiken. Only recently she arrived at the wedding of her granddaughter, Miss Celestine Hitchcock, to Julian L. Peabody, three weeks ago when she leased Mrs. Blair Fairchild's cottage at Newport, where she spent many seasons. She was a patron of the opera and her entertainments at her home, No. 8 East Twenty-ninth street, were among the most popular events in society in this city.

would seem to meet most requirements that are also suggested by the Mayor's commission. I am opposed to Mr. Grimm's proposed report and ordinance. It follows out a similar ordinance suggested by a lawyer of a cab company."

Mr. Brush also said that he would support the Marks-Meagher ordinance and was opposed to signing anything in a hurry to railroad through on the floor, since Mr. Grimm has suggested that this report and ordinance be signed by members of the committee on the same day that he presented it to the members.

Mr. McCann and Mr. Cunningham were ready to sign, but the other three members would not be parties to it, and one member, Mr. Coleman, being ill, the whole proposition was left over for "further consideration."

The three minority members, Messrs. Marks, Bolles and Brush, were present at the last Mayor's commission meeting and stated that they were there for the purpose of co-operating with the work of that commission in the hope of a final presentation to the board accordingly. They were cordially received and their suggestions respectfully taken into consideration.

## MRS. TAYLOR GETS INCOME AND HOME BY AN AGREEMENT

Wife of Wall Street Broker Will Drop Her Suit in Return.

PRACTICALLY DIVORCED

Dread of Publicity Results in Compromise Between Rich Husband and Wife.

Talbot J. Taylor, Wall Street broker, and his second wife, Mrs. Marie Zane Taylor, compromised their differences to-day and by the terms of a separation agreement, executed after a day's conference, Mrs. Taylor is to have the income from a trust fund which will provide an allowance of at least \$8,000 a year and a domicile. The broker signed the agreement when Mrs. Taylor threatened to lay bare certain allegations of cruelty which were to support her motion for alimony.

Mrs. Taylor, according to an intimate friend, pledged herself not to bring any court action against Taylor and further agreed not to molest her husband in any way. The document, The Evening World learned to-day, is an ironclad agreement, which as effectively severs the couple as though a judgment in absolute divorce had been granted, except, of course, that neither Taylor nor his wife may remarry under the agreement.

Efforts to obtain from M. L. Malevinsky, Mrs. Taylor's attorney, or from Thomas J. Hughes, the lawyer who represented the broker in the adjustment, further details of the amicable settlement failed.

"You may say that a friendly adjustment involving a separation agreement has been reached," said Mr. Malevinsky.

DREAD OF PUBLICITY BROUGHT ABOUT AGREEMENT.

Mr. Hughes declined absolutely to discuss the affairs of his client.

The troubles of the Taylors reached the public this week when Mrs. Taylor gave permission to file in the County Clerk's office a complaint in an action for a separation from Taylor. It appeared from an affidavit that a summons had been served on Taylor as far back as March 18, 1913, but no papers had been filed. In order to comply with the law, it was necessary for Mrs. Taylor to get the Court's consent to file her papers as of the date on which the suit was instituted.

With the affidavit came the information that the lawyers had labored unsuccessfully to effect first a reconciliation and then a friendly agreement between the Taylors. Mrs. Taylor demanded a sum for her maintenance which exceeded \$20,000 a year, and this demand deadlocked the negotiations. It was only when the affidavit caused widespread publicity that negotiations moved rapidly.

There was also the prospect that Mrs. Taylor would ask the Court for sufficient alimony to maintain her as she had lived as Mrs. Taylor's wife, and this new move entailed more affidavits, which would disclose to the public the sources and extent of Mr. Taylor's wealth. Besides, the papers would reveal the character of the cruelties charged by Mrs. Taylor against the broker.

MRS. TAYLOR NAMED AS CO-RESPONDENT BY FIRST WIFE.

Under the terms of the agreement, the details of Mrs. Taylor's charges will not now become public. Even the papers now on file in the Supreme Court will be withdrawn.

Mrs. Marie Zane-Cowles Taylor was named as co-respondent in the divorce suit brought by the first Mrs. Taylor, who was Jessica Keene, daughter of the late James R. Keene, in 1908. It was alleged by the first Mrs. Keene that her husband, whose rise in the financial world had been accelerated by his father-in-law, had been intimate with Mrs. Marie Zane-Cowles since 1897. The referee found the husband had been guilty of misconduct with Mrs. Cowles and a decree was awarded to Mrs. Jessica Keene Taylor, allowing her the custody of their three children. About a year after the divorce Taylor married Mrs. Cowles in Stamford, Conn. He is now forty-eight years old and she is thirty-seven.

Taylor was a young Baltimorean when James R. Keene made him a protégé, and then entered the young man in a brokerage firm with his son, Foxhall Keene.

## DEATH MESSAGE ON WALL.

Salvation Army Lodger Hanged Himself in His Room.

A man who registered at the Salvation Army Memorial Hall at No. 225 Bowery as John Toomey was found hanging from a knotted strip of sheeting just inside of the door of his room on the second floor to-day, dead. He had written the name of J. Toomey on the walls of the room and on the inside of a cover of a cigarette box with the address No. 10 Greenwich street.

He was about twenty-five years old. At No. 10 Greenwich street the police found two troubled women, who said that their brother, Joseph Toomey, had been away from home since yesterday morning. He was dismissed as a laborer in the Barge Office six months ago and has been unemployed ever since.

## Winner of Perfect Baby Contest Is Challenged By This Brooklyn Infant



### COMPARATIVE POINTS OF NEW YORK AND BROOKLYN NEAR PERFECT BABIES.

JOSEPH KELLER, Thompson Manhattan Baby.	BERNARD LIPSCHITZ, Champion Brooklyn Baby.
27 inches	26 1/2 inches
21 lb. 4 oz.	21 lb. 2 oz.
18 inches	18 inches
18 inches	18 inches
6	6
Teeth	Teeth

Mother of Bernard Lipschitz Throws His Hat in Infant Adonis Ring.

Maybe Joseph Keller of No. 3 West One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street is the most perfect baby in the borough of Manhattan. They found him 99 per cent. perfect in the Babies' Health Contest held the other day at Public School No. 1. But Joseph has a challenger in the borough of Brooklyn. He is Bernard Lipschitz of No. 1328 Eastern Parkway, and his picture appears in The Evening World to-day.

Bernard's mamma, like most mamma's, is sure her offspring is the most perfect ever. And Bernard's mamma is patriotic, too. She says:

"In Brooklyn there are babies that can equal if not excel the record set up by the prize winner, Joseph Keller. Of course, Bernard is one of these babies. He certainly looks like a prize winner. And it must be admitted that his measurements beat Joseph's, although Bernard is nearly a whole month younger. According to the table of comparison, Brooklyn is three and a half inches taller and two ounces heavier than Manhattan. Also Brooklyn's chest and tummy are each three whole inches greater in circumference than the measurements of Manhattan. To be sure, Joseph Keller has six teeth and Bernard Lipschitz has only two. Let Joseph hug that consolation to his soul."

"My son has blue eyes, brown hair and a light complexion," says Mrs. Lipschitz. "He is eight months and eleven days old, and I have always nursed him. I weighed him to-day, so I know that item is right. I am unable to give scientific answers to the other questions on the score cards at the Babies' Health Contest, such as the quality of muscles, pulmonary distance, potency of nose and so on. But I welcome an examination by the judge of the contest, Dr. Roger H. Bennett of the New York Milk Committee, or by any other qualified judge."

"As regards my son's disposition, energy, expression and attention, four of the psychological points on which the Manhattan babies were judged, the photograph of Bernard, taken April 1, 1913, answers more eloquently than any words of mine."

"I sincerely hope that the borough of Brooklyn will be included in the next perfect baby contest," Mrs. Lipschitz concludes.

And it would seem as if Bernard were a pretty husky candidate!

Glynn's hectic novel—at least, there has been no authoritative dispute to his claim to that, as it were, honor. He came to New York last fall and was interviewed considerably, and also was admired by the female frequenters of Broadway cafes, he being a person of considerable pulchritude.

Patsy Arlington, who lives at No. 130 West Forty-seventh street, caused his arrest on Jan. 17. She said she had entrusted him with her cute little gold watch, and he had gone and pawned the same. The hero of "Three Weeks" said he had no intention of stealing the watch, but an indictment for grand larceny was found against him.

He was tried in February and the jury disagreed, eight voting for acquittal. Assistant District Attorney Press told Judge Malone, in the Court of General Sessions to-day, that he believed another trial would be fruitless, so an order for Robinson's release was signed.

MULRY WOULD NOT ACCEPT.

Denied at White House He Is Considered for Collectorship.

(Special to The Evening World.) WASHINGTON, April 12.—At the White House to-day announcement was made that Thomas M. Mulry would not be appointed Collector of the Port of New York. Furthermore, Mr. Mulry would not take the office if tendered to him.

Robinson is really the hero of Elinor

## JERE COOKE'S WIFE ASKS DIVORCE FOR HIS BABIES' SAKE

Will Free Ex-Rector to Marry Floretta Whaley and "Give Them a Name."

To "give his innocent babies a name and their mother the right to call herself his wife" Mrs. Marinda Clarke Cooke has related and filed suit for divorce at Hartford against Jere Cooke, who, while rector of St. George's Church, at Hempstead, L. I., eloped with his young ward, Floretta Whaley, six years ago.

Cooke and his girl companion, who have two little sons, were very happy over it to-day, and declared that it was God's answer to their prayers that life take this means of showing His forgiveness of their offense.

Mrs. Cooke has been living at No. 62 Prospect avenue, West Hartford. She asks permission in her suit to resume her maiden name.

"I only hope," she said, "that Mr. Cooke will do the right thing by his companion and their children. In freeing him I bear him no malice and only hope his God will forgive him his sins as readily as I do. I have only the best wishes for both Mr. Cooke and, as I hope, his wife-to-be."

Mrs. Cooke declared that while she would never assist Cooke financially, she would aid his children if they ever were in want.

"Those poor little babies are not to blame," she said. "My heart is full of sympathy for them."

Floretta Whaley with the two children, Paul, five, and Chester, three, wept when she heard of the divorce suit.

"For six years," she said, "I have lived only for this day to come, and now that it has come I can hardly realize that at last my prayers have been answered."

The children, seeing their parents weeping, began to cry too. Then the parents knelt and prayed, and when they had finished little Paul lifted the Lord's Prayer.

## WIFE OF EX-RECTOR WHO ASKS DIVORCE AND HER GIRL RIVAL.



### WILLS OLD SERVANT \$20,000.

New Jersey Woman Provides Cottage for Life of Faithful Employee.

MAYN LANDING, N. J., April 17.—Twenty thousand dollars and life occupancy of a cottage as a reward for faithful service for years are given to

Margaret Cunningham in the will of Mrs. Margaret Daley of this city. The estate was \$80,000, all in money. Mrs. Daley also left \$5,000 to the Villa Nova College.

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